

honor Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.

As the Representative of the 47th Congressional District of California, I have a very diverse community, and a lot of them fall into the Asian and Pacific Islander American community. As a proud cosponsor of House Resolution 435, which celebrates Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, I would like to first thank the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus for recognizing the important contributions made by their community to our Nation.

For the past 14 years, I have witnessed firsthand the rich culture and contributions that the Asian Pacific Islander community brings to my district in Orange County. The community is an integral component of Orange County, and we see leadership all over the place in Orange County from that community increasingly, as leaders in academia and the arts and government and the military and in the private sector.

I would like to recognize all of the community partners and their outstanding service in the Asian Pacific Islander American community of Orange County and their continued efforts.

HARVARD STUDY

(Mr. PITTS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PITTS. Madam Speaker, the Federal Government is deep in debt and digging fast. We all know the importance of balancing the Federal budget, but we disagree on how to do that. How can we reduce the deficit without hurting our economy? Do we cut spending, or do we raise taxes?

I have here an analysis from two Harvard professors looking at how large changes in fiscal policy affect deficits and economies. Their research shows that "fiscal adjustments based upon spending cuts and no tax increases are more likely to reduce deficit and debt over GDP ratios than those based on tax increases."

The authors looked at decades of economic data around the world and came to the conclusion that it is best to go about reducing large deficits through government restraint and spending cuts.

Some think that we can keep spending recklessly, raise taxes, and balance the books. This study shows that we must get our spending under control. Raising taxes only kills jobs in our economy, leaving the government in an even worse fiscal situation.

This study is available on my Web site. I encourage all to examine it.

RECOGNIZING FRANK HERHOLD

(Mr. KLEIN of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KLEIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of the great leaders in my district in South Florida—Frank Herhold.

Frank is the executive director of the Marine Industries Association of South Florida, a position he has held since 1990. Even before taking on this leadership role, Frank operated a shipyard of his own, bringing his total career in the marine industry to over 30 years. After decades of hard work, Frank will be retiring this summer. I would personally like to thank him for his hard work and dedication to our community.

The marine industry is critical to South Florida's economy, and, under Frank's leadership, the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show has become the world's largest, pumping millions of dollars into our local economy.

Frank is the consummate professional and friend, and it was a pleasure to work with him as we reformed Longshore insurance together and tackled other issues essential to the marine industry.

Frank, I wish you the best in your retirement, and thank you for your service to South Florida.

MORE COSTLY DISCLOSURES ABOUT GOVERNMENT HEALTH CARE TAKEOVER

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, more costly disclosures continue to come out about the government health care takeover. And why should we be surprised, when Speaker PELOSI told the American people that we need to—and I quote—"pass the bill so we can find out what is in it"?

The more we find out, the worse it looks. The latest analysis by the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office reveals that the health care takeover will cost at least \$115 billion more than originally estimated. This follows last month's CMS report that highlighted health care costs will increase by \$311 billion over the next 10 years, and will force millions of seniors off their current Medicare coverage.

Washington must stop promising one thing and delivering another, particularly when it comes to price tags. If Congress continues to drag its feet, runaway deficits and unsustainable debt are sure to cripple our economy and would lead us down the same path as Greece.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism. My sympathy to the family of Betty Jackson Mack of Gaston, South Carolina.

PASSING OF JERRY HILDEBRAND

(Mr. McDERMOTT asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. McDERMOTT. Madam Speaker, over this past weekend our Nation lost one of the great champions of the unemployment insurance system.

Jerry Hildebrand was the Chief of Legislation for Unemployment Insurance at the Department of Labor, and he was intricately involved in every major UI reform over the past several decades.

Most recently, Jerry had been instrumental in ensuring the delivery of extended unemployment benefits and in helping States navigate reforms to their unemployment systems with the help of UI Modernization Grants. His advice about the possible impact of policy before enactment and his skillful work on implementation after the passage of legislation will be sorely missed.

He took his daughter to college this weekend, and then dropped dead. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jerry's family, as well as to his colleagues at the Department of Labor. Jerry Hildebrand made our government work for the people, and that contribution will surely live on.

AMERICA COMPETES ACT

(Ms. SCHWARTZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SCHWARTZ. Today, the House of Representatives will take a significant step towards advancing American innovation and strengthening American competitiveness with the America COMPETES Act.

This bipartisan proposal will expand public-private collaboration, assist industry and manufacturers, improve science and mathematics education, and create new, good-paying jobs. It accomplishes this by continuing the Department of Energy's Advanced Research Projects, devoted to next-generation energy research and development projects; providing loan guarantees for small- and medium-sized manufacturers to enable them to access capital and become more efficient; and by promoting more research and development initiatives.

This bill is supported by more than 750 businesses and academic organizations, including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, National Venture Capital Association, and the Biotech Industry Organization.

This continuing initiative is part of the Democratic solution to promote innovation and new technology in both older and new industries, prepare a skilled workforce, enhance our economic competitiveness, and build a strong 21st century national economy.

AMERICA COMPETES REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2010

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. HALVORSON). Pursuant to House Resolution 1344 and rule XVIII, the Chair